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October 13, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

29 October 13, 2015


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
PEARBLOSSOM PARK SPLASH PAD PROJECT
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
AUTHORIZE LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM
SPECS. 7289; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 69716
(FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will authorize a Local Worker Hiring Program, adopt plans and specifications, allow advertising for construction bids, and authorize the Director of Public Works to award and execute a construction contract for the project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the additional base bid scope items and the possible additive alternate to the scope of the Pearblossom Park Splash Pad project, if included, are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the project.
2. Approve the revised project scope, to include the additional base bid scope and a possible additive alternate, for the Pearblossom Park Splash Pad project, Capital Project No. 69716.
3. Adopt plans and specifications that are on file with the Department of Public Works for construction of the Pearblossom Park Splash Pad project.
4. Instruct the Acting Executive Officer of the Board to advertise the project for bids to be received and opened on November 10, 2015, in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal

BIDS: November 10, 2015 at 11:30 a.m.

Advertisements.

5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a consultant services agreement with the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder to prepare a baseline construction schedule for a \$2,000 not-to-exceed amount funded by the existing project funds.
6. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the authority to reject all nonresponsive bids and determine, in accordance with the applicable contract and bid documents, whether the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder has timely prepared a satisfactory baseline construction schedule and satisfied all conditions for contract award. Upon such determination, authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute the construction contract, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, to the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, and to establish the effective date of the contract upon receipt by Public Works acceptable performance and payment bonds and evidence of required contractor insurance.
7. Authorize the implementation of a Local Worker Hiring Program for the Pearblossom Park Splash Pad project and find that the program furthers a legitimate governmental interest for the reasons stated in this letter and in the project files.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find the additional base bid scope items and possible addition of an additive alternate to the previously Board approved on January 6, 2015 for the Pearblossom Park Splash Pad project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), authorize a Local Worker Hiring Program, adopt plans and specifications, allow advertising for construction bids, and authorize the Director of Public Works to award and execute a construction contract for the project.

Project Description and Background

The project is located at Pearblossom Park, 33922 North 121st Street East, in the unincorporated community of Pearblossom in the Antelope Valley. The project and budget was approved by the Board on January 6, 2015. It includes the construction of a new approximately 2,500-square-foot splash pad with interactive water features for children of various ages, concrete seat wall, an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant access ramp from the courtyard to the splash pad, and a standard fabric shade structure over a portion of the splash pad. An upgraded fabric shade structure in lieu of the standard fabric shade structure will also be solicited as an additive alternate.

Plans and specifications for the project have been completed, and we are recommending that the Board adopt and advertise these documents for construction bids as required under the Public Contract Code.

In order to expedite construction of the project, it is recommended that the Board authorize the Director of Public Works to award and execute a construction contract with the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder if the low bid, including the additive alternate, can be awarded within the total project budget approved by the Board on January 6, 2015.

The proposed consultant services agreement requires the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder to prepare a baseline construction schedule that conforms to the County of Los Angeles' schedule specification.

It is anticipated that Board approved pre-construction activities will begin in November 2015 and the estimated project completion is July 2016.

Local Worker Hiring Program

It is recommended that a Local Worker Hiring Program (LWHP) with an aspirational goal of at least 30 percent of the total California craft worker hours be implemented for construction of the project with the following key elements:

- "Local residency" - defined with a two-tier system. First preference will be given to qualified workers residing within the County in zip codes within a 5-mile radius of the project; and second preference given to qualified workers residing within the County in any zip code having an unemployment rate in excess of 150 percent of unemployment rate for the County as a whole.
- The LWHP will not include a "Disadvantaged Local Worker" component.

Green Building/Sustainable Design Program

The project will support the Board's Green Building/Sustainable Design Program to optimize energy and water use efficiency by including a dedicated water quality management system with energy-efficient pumps to recycle, treat, and recirculate the water for the splash pad.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

On January 6, 2015, the Board approved a \$1,760,000 budget for this project, which includes a change order contingency of \$124,600.

The project is funded with \$1,200,000 in Utility Users Tax Cy-Pres II funding allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District, \$335,000 in prior year savings in net County cost, and \$225,000 in Fifth District Capital Improvement net County cost.

Operating Budget Impact

Following the completion of the project, the Department of Parks and Recreation anticipates a one-time start-up cost of \$15,000 for signage, maintenance equipment, and dedication ceremony; and an ongoing annual operational cost of \$60,000 for recreation personnel, supplies, and utilities. Parks and Recreation submitted a funding request for these operating costs to the Chief Executive Office as part of its Fiscal Year 2015-16 New Facilities Request.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy amended on August 11, 2015, the Project budget includes 1 percent of the design and construction costs to be allocated toward the Civic Art Fund.

A standard construction contract will be used that contains terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including, but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) and General Relief Opportunities for Work (GROW) Programs, Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015).

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions and material requirements necessary for the project and are on file with Public Works Architectural Engineering Division.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On January 6, 2015, the Board found the project to be categorically exempt from CEQA, as the project involves minor alteration of existing public facilities with negligible or no expansion of use, construction and placement of new small facilities and appurtenant structures, underground utility extensions, and minor public alterations to land within an existing developed park facility. A notice of exemption was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk for that project.

The proposed additional base bid scope and the additive alternate are also categorically exempt from CEQA as they involve the addition of new small accessory structures. As such, these additive scope items are within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Sections 15303 (e) and 15311 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 3(b) and 11 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. The project is not located in a sensitive environment and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the project records.

Upon the Board's approval of the additional base bid scope and potential additive alternate, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption for these changes with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Advertising for construction bids will be in accordance with the enclosed County's standard Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisements.

As requested by the Board on February 3, 1998, this contract opportunity will be listed on the "Doing Business with Us" website.

Participation by Community Business Enterprises (CBE) in the project is encouraged through Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and by monitoring the good faith efforts of bidders to utilize CBE.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will have no impact on current County services or projects. The park will remain operational during construction of the project.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division I.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosures

c: Arts Commission
Chief Executive Office (Capital Programs
Division)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Department of Parks and Recreation

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PUBLISHING LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS: In accordance with the State of California Public Contract Code Section 20125, you may publish once a week for 2 weeks in a weekly newspaper or ten times in a daily newspaper. Forward three reprints of this advertisement to Department of Public Works Architectural Engineering Division, 900 South Fremont Avenue, 8th Floor, Alhambra, California 91803-1331.

**OFFICIAL NOTICE
INVITING BIDS**

Notice is hereby given that the Director of Public Works will receive sealed bids for furnishing all materials, labor, and equipment required to complete construction for the following work:

<u>SD</u>	<u>SPECS</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>BID DOC FEE</u>	<u>DATE OF BID OPENING</u>
5	7289	Pearblossom Park Splash Pad Project 33922 North 121st Street East Pearblossom, CA 93553	\$75	November 10, 2015

Copies of the project manual and drawings may be downloaded free of charge from the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works website (<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/go/constructioncontracts>), or may be purchased for the fee stated above at the Cashier's office, Department of Public Works, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Mezzanine, Alhambra, California 91803. For bid information, please contact Ms. Loydi Nguyen of Architectural Engineering Division at (626) 300-2330. Each bid shall be submitted on the required form, sealed, and filed at the Cashier's office no later than 11:30 a.m. on the date indicated. Bids will be publicly opened, examined, and declared by the Department of Public Works at 11:45 a.m. on this date in the conference rooms at 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803.

This project requires the general contractor firm to possess an A or B license classification at the time of bid.

The general contractor and all of its subcontractors of any tier shall be required to pay prevailing wages to all workers employed in the execution of the Project in accordance with Labor Code Section 1770. Copies of the prevailing rate per diem wages are on file at the Department of Public Works, which shall be made available to any interested party upon request.

PREBID CONFERENCE

The Department of Public Works Project Management Division I will hold a prebid conference at 10 a.m., on October 22, 2015, at the Project site, 33922 North 121st Street East, Pearblossom, California 93553, to provide information on the scope of work and answer basic questions from the potential bidders. Detailed questions or additional information must be submitted in writing to Ms. Loydi Nguyen with the Department of Public Works Architectural Engineering Division at Fax No. (626) 979-5311 or you may contact her at (626) 458-2180.

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS

The County supports and encourages equal opportunity contracting. The contractor shall make good faith efforts as defined in Section 2000 of the Public Contract Code relating to contracting with Community Business Enterprises.

The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive technical or inconsequential errors and discrepancies in bids submitted in the public's interest.

Si necesita información en español, por favor llame al Telefono (626) 458-2563.



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Individuos que requieran acomodamiento razonable accessible pueden solicitar materiales escritos en formatos alternativos, acomodamiento fisico accesible, intérpretes en lenguaje de señas Americano ú otros acomodamientos razonables comunicándose con nuestro Coordinador Departamental del Acto de Americanos con Incapacidades al (626) 458-4081, de 7:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m., Lunes a Jueves (excluyendo días festivos). Personas sordas o con problemas auditivos pueden comunicarse primero marcando al Servicio de Difusión de California al 7-1-1. Solicitudes pueden hacerse por lo menos una semana antes para asegurar disponibilidad. Cuándo se haga una petición reasonable para acomodo, por favor mencione **[PJ-I]**.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, dated October 13, 2015.

Specs. 7289 PATRICK OGAWA, ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES